

Concert Choir

Debra Cairns, Conductor John Scott, Assistant Conductor Jonathan Hamill, piano

Friday, December 1, 2006 at 8:00 pm



Program

Songs of the Spirit

Hospodi Pomilui Grigory Fyodorovich Lvovsky

(1830 - 1894)

Tantum ergo Joseph-Marie Déodat de Séverac

(1872 - 1921)

Os Justi Anton Bruckner

(1824 - 1896)

Ave Maris Stella Johan-Magnus Sjöberg

(b.1953)

Psalm 120 (from Six Latin Hymns) Otto Olsson

(1879 - 1964)

Songs of Scandinavian Lands

Tre Körvisor Wilhelm Stenhammar

September (1871-1927)

I Seraillets Have

Havde jeg, o havde je en Dattersøn, o ja!

Sofðu, unga ástin mín arr Jón Ásgeirsson

(b. 1921)

Afmorsvísa Snorri Sigfús Birgisson

(b. 1954)

Jag Blåste I Min Pipa arr Anders Nyberg

(b.1955)

Sarah Toane, soprano

Pseudo-yoik Jaakko Mäntyjärvi

(b.1963)

Intermission

Songs of the Evening

Abendlied

Joseph Gabriel Rheinberger

(1839-1901)

Gute Nacht

Robert Schumann

(1810 - 1856)

Songs of the Season from around the World

The Huron Carol (Canada)

arr Allan Bevan

(b. 1951)

Lulajže, Jezuniu (Poland)

arr Paul Brandvik

(b. 1937)

Victoria McGuinness, soprano 1 Alex Malayko, soprano 2

Noél Ayisyen (Haiti)

Emile Desamours

(b. 1941)

Carols of the Season

Coventry Carol

arr Martin Shaw

(1875 - 1958)

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Felix Mendelssohn

(1809 - 1847)

Ding Dong! Merrily on High

arr Charles Wood (1866-1926)

Texts and Translations

Hospodi Pomilui

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Tantum ergo

Tantum ergo sacramentum Veneremur cernui: Et antiquum documentum Novo cedat ritui: Praestet fides supplementum Sensuum defectui.

Genitori, genitoque Laus et iubilatio, Salus, honor virtus quoque Sit et benedictio: Procedenti ab utroque Compar sit laudatio.

Os Justi

Os justi meditabitur sapientiam, et lingua ejus loquetur judicium. Lex Dei ejus in corde ipsius: et non supplantabuntur gressus ejus. Alleluia.

Ave Maris Stella

Ave, Maris stella, Déi mater alma, Atque semper Virgo Félix caeli porta. Amen.

Psalm 120

Ad Dominum cum tribularer clamavi et exaudivit me. Domine libera animam meam a labiis iniquis et a lingua dolosa. Quid detur tibi. aut quid apponatur tibi ad linguam dolosam? Sagittæ potentis acutæ cum carbonibus de solatoriis. Heu mihi, quia incolatus meus prolongatus est: habitavi cum habitantibus Cedar: multum incola fuit anima mea. Cum his, qui oderunt pacem, eram pacificus: cum loquebar illis impugnabant me gratis.

Lord, have mercy.

So great a sacrament let us therefore revere And let the old covenant give way to the new rite. May faith grant assistance to the deficiency of our senses.

To the Begetter and the Begotten let there be jubilant praise, salvation, honor, power and also blessing.

To Him that proceeds from either let there be equal praise.

The mouth of the righteous utters wisdom, and his tongue speaks what is just. The law of his God is in his heart; and his feet do not falter. Alleluia.

Hail, star of the sea, fostering mother of God, and ever-virgin, happy gate of Heaven. Amen.

When I was troubled I called out to the Lord and He heard me.

O Lord, deliver my soul from deceitful lips and from tongues that lie.

What shall he give you, or what shall he mete out to you, with your lying tongue?

The sharp arrows of a warrior, with red-hot coals that will consume you.

Woe to me because my lonely sojourn has been lengthened.

has been lengthened:
for I dwelt with the people of Cedar;
and my soul was as a lonely pilgrim.
With those who hated peace,
I was a peacemaker:
when I spoke to them they attacked
me without reason.

Tre Körvisor September

Alle de voksende Skygger har vævet sig sammen til en, ensom paa Himmelen lyser en Stjerne saa straalende ren, Skyerne have saa tunge Drømme, Blomsternes Øjne I Duggraad svømme, underligt Aftenvinden suser i Linden.

I Seraillets Have

Rosen sænker sit Hoved, tungt af Dug og Duft, og Pinjerne svaje saa tyst og mat i lumre Luft.
Kilderne vælte det tunge
Sølv i døsig Ro,
Minareterne pege mod
Himlen op i Tyrketro,
og Halvmaanen driver
saa jævnt afsted
over det jævne Blaa
og den kysser Rosers
og Liljers Flok,
alle de Blomster smaa
i Seraillets Have.

Havde jeg, o havde jeg

Havde jeg, o havde jeg
en Dattersøn, o ja!
og en Kiste med mange Penge,
saa havde jeg vel ogsaa
havt en Datter, o ja,
og Hus og Hjem og Marker og Enge.
Tra la la ...
Havde jeg, o havde jeg
en Datterlil, o ja!
og Hus og Hjem og Marker og Enge,
saa havde jeg vel ogsaa
havt en Kærest, o ja!
med Kister med mange Penge.
Tra la la ... o havde jeg en Dattersøn!

All the growing shadows have been woven into one, alone up in the skies a lonely star is shining so brilliant and clean. The clouds are dreaming heavily, the flowers' eyes are swimming in dew-tears, and the evening wind rustles mysteriously in the lime trees.

The rose is sinking its head heavy with dew and fragrance and the pines are waving so silent and faint in the sultry air.

The brooks roll their heavy iron in complete tranquility,
Minarets point at Heaven in the Turkish faith,
and the half moon slowly drifts away over the evening-blue and kisses the gardens of roses and lilies, all those little flowers in Seraglio's Garden.

If I had, oh if I had
a little grandson! Yes!
And a box filled with money,
then I would have had
a daughter, oh yes,
and a home, and fields and meadows.
Tra la la ...
If I had, oh if I had
a little daughter, yes!
And a home, and fields and meadows,
then I would have also had
a fiancée, oh yes!
With boxes full of money.
Tra la la ... and I'd have a grandson.

Sofðu, unga ástin mín Sofðu, unga ástin mín, úti regnið grætur. Mamma geymir gullin þín gamla leggi' og völuskrín. Við skulum ekki vaka' um dimmar nætur.

það er margt, sem myrkrið veit minn er hugur þungur. Oft eg svartan sandinn leit sviða grænan engireit. jöklinum hljóða dauðadjúpar sprungur.

Sofðu lengi, sofðu rótt seint mun bezt að vakna. Mæðan kenna mun þér fljótt, meðan hallar degiskjótt, mennirnir elska, missa, gráta' og sakna.

Afmorsvísa

Enn nærist elskan sanna, enn kærleiks funinn brennur, enn blossar ástar tinna, enn kviknar glóð of henni,

enn giftist ungur svanni, enn saman hugir renna, enn gefast meyjar mönnum, menn hallast enn til kvenna.

Enn nærist elskan sanna, enn kærleiks funinn brennur, enn blossar ástar tinna, enn kviknar glóð af henni. Sleep my little darling
Outside the rain is weeping
Mother safeguards your precious
things
Olden legs [bone legs of sheep used
as toys]
and wondrous chests
We should not stay up late when
nights run dark and deep.

The night keeps many secrets; My empty heart feels heavy. Often I behold the black sand dunes Crouching on the green grass commons. Windy wails echo through deep and deadly glacial gorges.

Sleep eternal, sleep soundly.
Late shall you awaken.
Fatigue shall swiftly show you,
As the day falls short,
That mankind will always love, lose,
grief and miss.

Still true love is nourished, Still burns the passion's fire, Still sparks the flint of desire, Igniting the flame of love.

Still young lads get married, Still two spirits join, Still young lads get married, Still two spirits join.

Still maidens marry men, Men still lean to women, Still maidens marry men, Men still lean to women

Jag Blåste I Min Pipa

Jag blåste i min pipa då kom en liten duva fram. Hon hette Rännar Stina jag tog na I min famn. La da di da-di-da-di...

Sen gångar jag till skogen med bössan och pistolen att skjuta unga duvor och sällan nyttja krut. La-di damm...

Pseudo-yoik

The text exists merely to give form to the music and is meaningless, although the laws of probability dictate that there must exist an obscure South American Indian language in which it makes perfectly good sense. Quoted from the composer [http://www.englishcentre.fi/mpoy/jm_py.htm]

Abendlied

Bleib bei uns, denn es will Abend werden, und der Tag hat sich geneiget.

Gute Nacht

Die gute Nacht,
die ich dir sage,
Freund, hörest du!
Ein Engel, der die Botschaft trage
Geht ab und zu.
Er bringt sie dir und hat mir wieder
den Gruß gebracht:
Dir sagen auch des Freundes Lieder
jetzt gute Nacht.

I was playing a flute and a dove came out. Her name was Rännar Stina and I embraced her.

Then I went to the forest with my pistol to hunt doves without using any gun powder.

Bide with us, for evening shadows darken, and the day will soon be over.

The good night wish, with which I greet you, Friend, may you hear! An angel, who conveys the greeting, Goes here and there. He is bringing to you and back to me This wish: Your friend's song now says, I bid good night.

The Huron Carol

'Twas in the moon of wintertime when all the birds had fled That mighty Gitchi Manitou sent angel choirs instead; Before their light the stars grew dim and wondering hunters heard the hymn, Jesus your King is born, Jesus is born, in excelsis gloria.

Within a lodge of broken bark the tender babe was found; A ragged robe of rabbit skin enwrapped his beauty round But as the hunter braves drew nigh the angel song rang loud and high Jesus your King is born, Jesus is born, in excelsis gloria.

The earliest moon of wintertime is not so round and fair
As was the ring of glory on the helpless infant there.
The chiefs from far before him knelt with gifts of fox and beaver pelt.
Jesus your King is born, Jesus is born, in excelsis gloria.

O children of the forest free,
O sons of Manitou
The holy Child of earth and heaven
is born today for you.
Come kneel before the radiant boy
who brings you beauty peace and joy.
Jesus your King is born, Jesus is born,
in excelsis gloria.

Words: Jean de Brebeuf, ca. 1643; trans by Jesse Edgar Middleton, 1926 Music: French Canadian melody (tune name: Jesous Ahatonhia)

Lulajže, Jezuniu, Lulajže, Jezuniu, moja perełko Lulajže, Jezuniu, me piescidełko

Lulajže, Jezuniu, Lulajže lulaj A tygo matuchno wpłaczu utulaj.

Zamknijže, znužone płaczem powieczki Utulže zemdlone łkaniem usteczki

Lulajže, Jezuniu, Lulajže lulaj A tygo matuchno wpłaczu utulaj.

Noél Ayisyen
Sé té nan Betléèm
Yon ti kwen nan Judé,
Mari té f'on gason
A minui n'on étab.
Sé té pitit Bon Dyé,
É sé té wa dè wa.
Dépi'm tou piti kon sa
Mwen konn istwa sa.

Té genyen twa wa maj Ki swiv yon gwo zétwal, Kado yon nan men yo Pou yo vin' adore'l. É yo té byen sézi Lè yo wè ti Jézi Kouché nan mitan yon bèf Avèk yon bourik.

A la koté ou tandé, mézanmi wo! Noèl sé yon istwa ki byen étranj! Jézi, pitit Bon Dyé, wa dè wa, Ki pa genyen bèso, Li kouché sou pay pami zannimo... O! O! Hush, sweet Jesus, Angels surround you; Hush, sweet Jesus, Shepherds have found you.

Hush, sweet Jesus, hush my child, Mother will Iull you asleep, Hush now your crying.

Gently close your eyes, Blest infant holy, Peacefully blooms the Rose in a manger lowly.

Hush, sweet Jesus, hush my child, Mother will lull you asleep, Hush now your crying.

Noèl, Noèl, Noèl, viv Noèl!
It was in Bethlehem
A little corner of Judea,
That Mary had a baby boy
At midnight in a stable.
He was the Son of God
And he was the King of Kings.
Since I was a little child
I've known this story.

There were three wise kings Who followed a great star With gifts in the hands To come worship the child. And they were amazed When they saw little Jesus Lying between a cow And a donkey.

Hear that, my friends!
Noel is a strange story indeed!
Jesus, Son of God, King of Kings,
Doesn't even have a cradle.
He sleeps on the straw among
animals...Oh my!

Noél Ayisyen (cont'd)
Yo rélé'l admirab,
Konséyé, Dyé puisan,
Sé Pè étènèl tou
É li sé prins la pè.
Ni bèjé, ni wa maj
Adoré'l a jénou.
Yo ba li kado
Sélon sa yo té genyen.

Lè sa si nou té la (tan-man-nam),
Fok nou ta fè yon jès (tan-man-nam),
Nou ta ofri mizik (ba-dap-pi)
An bon jan ayisyen (tchi-ki-tchi).
Nou tap poté tanbou,
Manniboula, banbou, tcha-tcha,
Ak bèl kout bandjo
Nou ta chamé ti Jézi

Jézi, Jézi, ti Jézi nou, A la renmen, nou renmen wou. Ou poté la pè pou tout moun, É wou vin' établi la gras.

Noèl, Noèl, Noèl, viv Noèl!

They called him Wonderful, Counselor, mighty God; The Everlasting Father, too; And he was the Prince of Peace. Both shepherds and wise men Bowed down to worship him. They gave him gifts According to what they had.

Back then, if we'd been there (ta-ma-na),
We'd have done something fitting (ta-ma-na),
We'd have offered him music (ba-dap-peem)
Of the best Haitian kind (chee-kee-chee)
We'd have brought drums,
Manniboulas, vaccins, maracas;
With fine banjo strums
We'd have charmed little Jesus.

Jesus, Jesus, our little Jesus, We love you greatly. You bring peace to all people And you offer us grace.

Noel, Noel, Noel, long live Noel!

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new born King,
peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations rise,
join the triumph of the skies;
with th' angelic host proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new born King!"

2. Christ, by highest heaven adored; Christ, the everlasting Lord; late in time behold him come, offspring of a virgin's womb. Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; hail th' incarnate Deity, pleased as man with man to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel. Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the new born King!"

3.
Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
risen with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by,
born that man no more may die,
born to raise the sons of earth,
born to give us second birth.
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new born King!"

The University of Alberta Concert Choir, 2006-2007 Debra Cairns, Conductor John Scott, Assistant Conductor Jonathan Hamill, Accompanist

Soprano

Jennifer Black (I) Tracy Cantin (II) Megan Chartrand (I) Janeil Funk (I) Danielle Germain (II) Apryl Hewlett (I) Katherine Jackson (II) Jaime Johansson (II) Erica Knutson (II) Lynette Krebs (II) Ashton Low (I) Alex Malayko (II) Jacinta Manna (II) Victoria McGuinness (I) Kyra Noster (I) Emilijana Plancak (I) Eve Richardson (I) Michelle Schamehorn (I)

Sarah Toane (I)

Rae Veillard (II)

Alto

Sophia Barry (I) Catherine Benavides (II) Lisa Brownie (II) Lana Cuthbertson (I) Rosy Ge (I) Erin Guminy (I) Cathy Hoang (II) Amber Hudson (I) Marilyn Huston (II) Shalee Konojacki (I) Krista Lessard (II) Alison Luff (I) Vivian C. Mendoza (II) Haram Park (I) Julie Sackey (II) Tania Semenjuk (I) Sima Shamsi (I) Erica Sorenson (1) Christina Thirnbeck (I) Karen Witten (I) Kendra Hau Yan Wong (I) Wailok Eunice Wong (I)

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Ian Bonyun (I) Stephen Brown (I) Tim Cebuliak (II) Kelvin Chu II) Adam Ferland (I) Taylor Hodgkinson (I) Kurt Illerbrun (II) Peter Leoni (I) Yu-Ting Lin (I) Ross McDonald (II) Tyson Oatway (II) Cam Powell (I) Carson Powell (II) Eric Schubert (II) David Seida (II) Brady Sherard (II) Dadi Sverrisson (I) Cody Willetts (I) Wayne Zuo (II)

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